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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Operational Purchase/Leases of Communications Systems

1. References:

a. Message, CSA, Washington DC, 171408Z Dec 03, subject: Operational Purchase/Leases of Communications Systems.

b. Message, DA Washington DC, VCSA, 011601 Feb 05, subject: same as above.

c. Ronald W. Reagan National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) for Fiscal Year 2005 PUBLIC LAW 108-375—OCTOBER 28, 2004.

d. DoD Financial Management Regulation, Volume 14, Chapter 2, Violations of the Antideficiency Act. (<http://www.dod.mil/comptroller/fmr/14/>)

2. There is an ever-increasing demand for communications capacity anchored around new commercial and military technologies, that will continue to consume available bandwidth and therefore reduce the communications capacity available to users. Furthermore, uncoordinated purchases of communications technology create interoperability gaps and result in fielding discrepancies across our transforming Army.

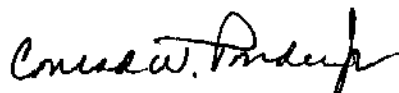
3. Reference 1a. above is the CSA message directing that there be no further individual organizational purchases/leasing of communications equipment not approved by the HQDA G-3. It also states that organizations requiring communications equipment will submit an Operational Needs Statement (ONS) IAW AR 71-9, Appendix B, to the HQDA G-3 HQDA (DAMO-FD), 400 Army Pentagon, Washington, DC 20310-0400. HQDA G-3 further coordinates the ONS with the offices of the HQDA CIO/G-6 and G-8.

4. Reference 1b. above is the VCSA message directing no further individual organizational purchases/leasing of communications equipment not approved by the HQDA G-3. In addition, the message outlines what communications equipment can and cannot be purchased/leased on the open market.

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5. Reference 1c. and 1d. above pertain to the Antideficiency Act. Obligating or expending funds for communications equipment specified in 1a. and 1b. without an approved ONS is a violation of the Antideficiency Act. Any military member or DoD employee can be subject to appropriate administrative discipline for violation of this Act.
6. Your support towards ensuring coordination of all future operational purchases/leases of communications systems is needed now as the Army migrates to a new force structure that is knowledge-based and network-centric.
7. Request that this memorandum be distributed to the resource management and procurement offices providing service to the U.S. Army.
8. The CIO/G6 POC for the above is Mr. Dave Shaddrix at (703) 602-8190, David.Shaddrix@US.Army.Mil.



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